

REMARKS

This paper is submitted in response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment, dated February 24, 2006. In the Notice, the Office indicated that claim 9 should be identified as "currently amended", and not "previously presented". This paper resubmits the listing of the claims with the identifier for claim 9 corrected as requested by the Office. Please consider these claims in connection with the arguments presented in the Response filed on November 21, 2005.

Claims 4, 5, 7-16, 18-21 and 23-25 are in condition for allowance in view of the previously presented amendment and remarks. No fee is believed due at this time. However, if another fee is due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or to credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 13-2855 of the undersigned's firm.

Respectfully submitted,

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